

# Important Health Insurance Changes for 2015

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State and UW Employees
Benefit and Network Plan Changes

Wisconsin Public (Local) Employees Benefit and Network Plan Changes

High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) Health Savings Account (HSA)

**HDHP** and HSA Scenarios

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#### Employee Reimbursement Accounts (ERA) Program

New Third Party Administrator Total Administrative Services Corporation (TASC) will administer the ERA Program in 2015

\$500 Carryover Remaining balances of up to \$500 may be carried over into the next plan year

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### **Optional Plans: Enrollment Opportunities**

Anthem DentalBlue

Hartford Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D)

(year-round enrollment)

**EPIC Dental WI** 

Vision Service Plan (VSP)
(Active and Annuitant)

**EPIC Benefits+** 

Aflac

(Pays members for accidental injuries)

Only active employees may newly enroll during this year's It's Your Choice Open Enrollment period

## **Optional Plans: Dental Changes**

## Anthem DentalBlue

Supplemental coverage will increase from 50% to 60% for major restorative services: including crowns, bridges and endodontics (no change in premium)

## Epic Dental Wisconsin

10% decrease in premiums for active subscribers in the PPO plan

### Optional Plans: EPIC Benefits+

100% increase in hospital and surgical benefits

#### Example:

Outpatient surgery benefit increases from \$100 to \$200 per day

50% increase in Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) benefits for active and COBRA members only

#### Examples:

Employee \$10,000 • \$15,000 Spouse \$5,000 • \$7,500

Enhanced benefits for optional vision materials rider

#### Examples:

- Frames allowance has gone from \$100 to \$130
- Improved coverage for contact lenses

## **Optional Plans Important Information**

Examine waiting periods, exclusions and limits on benefits when deciding whether to enroll in an optional plan

Anthem DentalBlue,
EPIC Dental Wisconsin
and
EPIC Benefits+
have restrictions and
special enrollment
opportunities

Contact individual plans for further information

## High Deductible Health Plan A New Health Plan Option for 2015

Created as part of Wisconsin's biennial budget (Wisconsin Act 20) and is now state law

Under federal law has a minimum annual deductible and a maximum annual out-of-pocket limit (OOPL)

The state also requires enrollment in a Health Savings Account (HSA) Designed to offer lower monthly premium in exchange for a higher deductible and shared health care costs by the member

Each health plan will offer an HDHP option

Each plan's HDHP option will provide the same package of benefits after the deductible is met

## 2015 Monthly Premiums State Employee Contribution\*

Plan Tier	Current Uniform Benefits*	HDHP Uniform Benefits	
Tier 1 Plan	Single Plan: \$ 92 Family Plan: \$230	Single Plan: \$ 32 Family Plan: \$ 81	
Tier 2 Plan	Single Plan: \$136 Family Plan: \$341	Single Plan: \$ 76 Family Plan: \$192	
Tier 3 Plan	Single Plan: \$267 Family Plan: \$666	Single Plan: \$207 Family Plan: \$517	

<sup>\*</sup>Excludes: state patrol titled classifications and graduate assistants

## **HDHP Details**

The HDHP begins paying for health care costs after the annual deductible has been met

#### Exception:

Under the Patient
Protection and Affordable
Care Act (PPACA),
preventive services are
covered at 100%,
regardless of the
deductible

The deductible also applies to dental and pharmacy benefits

<sup>\*\*</sup>In 2015 this will be known as Coinsurance Uniform Benefits

#### Deductible

The amount you pay before the plan begins to pay for covered services

#### Annual Deductible

\$1,500 Individual Plan

\$3,000 Family Plan

In a family plan, the entire \$3,000 deductible must be met before coinsurance begins The deductible is met when covered expenses are incurred, even if they are not yet paid for

#### Reminder:

The HDHP will not pay ANY medical, dental or pharmacy costs (except for preventive services until the annual deductible has been met

#### HDHP Out-of-Pocket Limit (OOPL)

Once the deductible is met, services are subject to 90%/10% coinsurance, up to an overall OOPL

 The OOPL is the maximum amount you could pay out-ofpocket (including the deductible, pharmacy copays and 10% coinsurance) per year

#### Annual OOPL

\$2,500 Individual plan

\$5,000 Family plan

After the deductible is met, the standard tiered pharmacy copays (\$5, \$15, \$35) apply up to the out-of-pocket limit

## **HDHP Eligibility**

## Eligible:

- State employees and their dependents
- Limited Term Employees who are eligible to participate in the State Group Health Insurance Program
- Annuitants and/or their dependents under age 65
- Local government employees whose employers elect to participate

## **HDHP** Ineligibility

#### Ineligible:

- Medicare-eligible annuitants 65 and older
- Anyone enrolled in any part of Medicare
- Anyone covered by another health plan, such as a spouse's health plan or TRICARE (includes any covered dependents with other disqualifying insurance including Medicare or TRICARE)
- Those eligible for graduate assistant/short-term academic staff benefits package and not in the WRS
- Those who are a dependent of another person for tax purposes
- State Patrol classifications

#### **HDHP Enrollment**

During It's Your Choice . . . (October 6 to October 31)

Complete a paper application

OR

Enroll online through MyETF Benefits

Please check with your employer for their preferred enrollment process The
Group Health Insurance
Application/Change Form
(ET-2301)
has been revised and now

has been revised and now includes an option to choose the HDHP

Find it on ETF's website at etf.wi.gov

#### **Health Savings Account Defined**

A tax-free savings account used to pay for eligible health care expenses (medical, dental, and prescription drugs) that are not covered by the health plan

Established for state employees enrolled in the new HDHP

Eligible health care expenses are determined by the IRS

#### **Third Party Administrator**

State: Total Administrative Services Corporation (TASC)

Local: check with employer

#### **HSA Eligibility**

Who is eligible: Those enrolled in the HDHP plan including:

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#### **HSA Enrollment**

#### State Employees

Once enrolled in a HDHP plan, must enroll in the state-sponsored HSA before the effective date of the HDHP

#### How to enroll:

Online at TASC

#### When to enroll:

 Following enrollment in the HDHP

#### Local Government Employees

Check with employer to see whether a savings plan is available

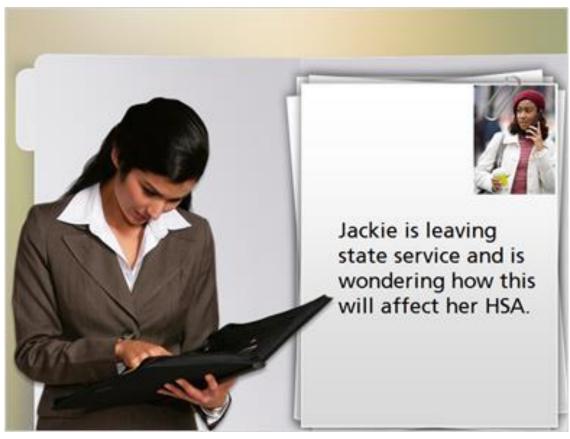
## **Limited Purpose Flexible Spending Account**

State employees enrolled in HDHP and HSA:

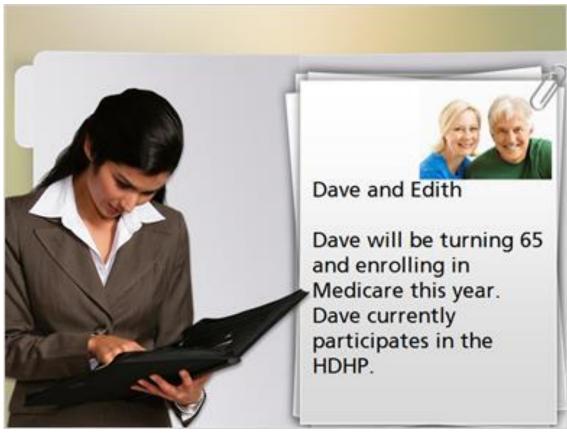
Federal law prohibits participation in a regular flexible spending account (FSA), otherwise known as an Employee Reimbursement Account (ERA) ETF will offer a Limited Purpose Flexible Spending Account (LPFSA)

- Can be used for vision, dental and post-deductible expenses only
- Contribution limit for 2015 is \$2,500
- Includes \$500 carryover
- LPFSA also administered by TASC
- Signup online through TASC during It's Your Choice

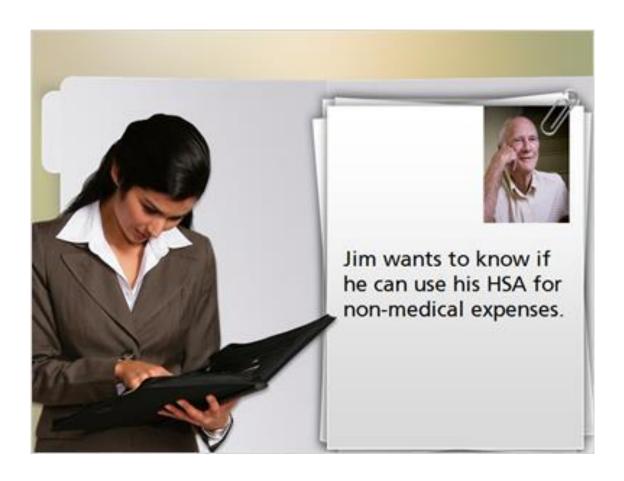




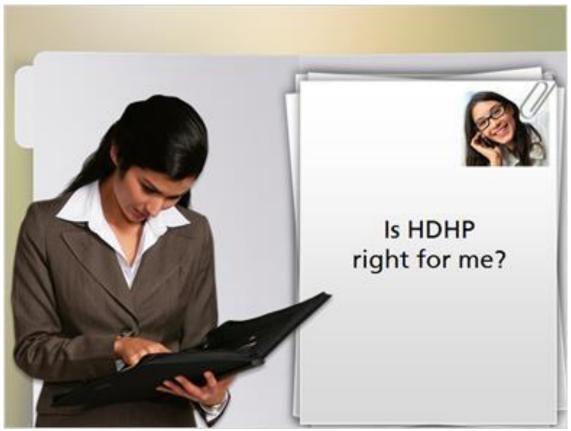


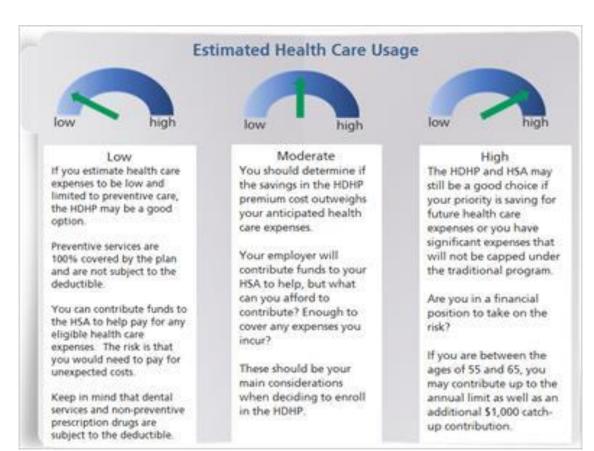


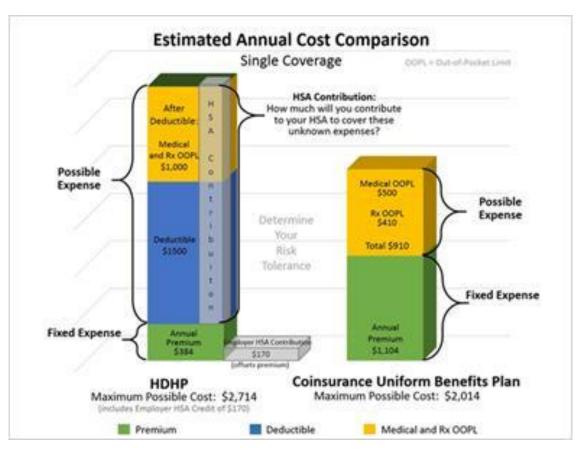












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WPS Metro Choice Northwest and Southeast

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Subscriber Information, Family Status or Provider Changes

Your benefits/payroll/personnel office

Benefits, Participating Providers, Exclusions and Limitations

Health Plan or Pharmacy Benefit Manager

State-sponsored HSA, ERA or LPFSA

TASC (Total Administrative Services Corporation)

Applications, Eligibility, Enrollment and General Information

- Benefits/payroll/personnel office
- Annuitants and Continuants should contact ETF